# New Jersey 2011 MLK Day AmeriCorps/ Learn & Serve America/Senior Corps Projects



#### **PLAINFIELD**

Title: Brightening Lives in Plainfield

Sponsoring Agency: Queens City Academy Charter School

Event Date: January 17th

**Event Time:** 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

**Description of Event:** 

Volunteers will assemble benches, in addition to painting murals in classrooms and on

stairwells.

**Location:** Plainfield, NJ **Contact:** Krysta Huber

Open to the Community: Yes

## **PATERSON**

**<u>Title:</u>** Habitat for Humanity

Sponsoring Agency: Habitat for Humanity Paterson/Montclair State University

AmeriCorps Program
<a href="Event Date:">Event Date:</a> January 15<sup>th</sup>

**Description of Event:** AmeriCorps members will help build a home for a family in need

in Paterson.

Location: 146 North 1st Street, Paterson, NJ

**Time:** 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM

Contact:
Pat Sisti

Volunteer Coordinator

973-595-6868

Open to the Community: No

#### TRENTON

**<u>Title:</u>** Cerebral Palsy Association of Middlesex County

**Sponsoring Agency:** Bonner Foundation

Date(s): January 17<sup>th</sup>

Description of Event: AmeriCorps members will serve at various community agencies

in the Trenton area

<u>Location:</u> Trenton, NJ **Time:** 8:30 AM to 3: 00 PM

Contact:

Christen Foell, Program Coordinator AmeriCorps Bonner Leaders Program

609-924-6663 cfoell@bonner.org

## **JERSEY CITY**

Title: Tutoring @ Club Ed

Sponsoring Agency: Jewish Family Services

Event Date(s): January 17<sup>th</sup> Description of Event:

Brightening Lives in Jersey City, AmeriCorps Members from Tutoring @ Club Ed will be joining Jersey Cares at Hudson County to provide a nurturing environment whereby all children can grow, enhance their self-worth, and succeed academically. Members will paint new murals, assemble First Night Kits, and create inspirational picnic tables and benches.

## Location:

182 Merseles Street Jersey City, NJ 07302

**Time:** 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Contact:

Stephanie Asymkos 201-874-9834

stephanie@jerseycares.org Open to the Community: Yes

#### **NEWARK**

**Title:** Inspirational Mural Painting in Newark

**Sponsoring Agency:** Jersey Cares

Date: Jan. 17<sup>th</sup>

## **Description of Event:**

Members will paint murals in the Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club located at the YES

Center in Newark.

Time: 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Location: YES Center, 200 Washington Street, Newark, NJ

Contact:

Ameerah Abdur-Rahman ameerah@iersevcares.org

Open to the Community: No- project is full

# SOMERVILLE

Title: Mural painting in Somerville

Sponsoring Agency: Jewish Family Services/Jersey Cares

Event Date: January 17<sup>th</sup> **Description of Event:** 

Members will paint a mural at the Somerville YMCA.

**Time:** 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Location: Somerset Valley YMCA, Somerville, NJ

Contact: Jersey Cares

Open to the Community: Yes

# **NEWARK**

**Event Title:** Creativity with Kids in Newark

**Sponsoring Agency:** Jersey Cares

Event Date(s): January 17th

# **Brief Description:**

YCS Davis House is home to up to 17 boys and girls ages 5 to 10 years old. Children generally spend up to six months in this transitional program. YCS Davis provides a safe, therapeutic environment where each child's developmental needs are met. opportunities for growth are promoted and plans to transition the child to the least restrictive setting possible are maintained. Volunteers are needed to have lunch and to create inspirational crafts with children.

Time: 11:45 AM to 2:00 PM

Location:

YCS Davis House 284 Broadway Newark, NJ 07104

Contact: Jillian Gletow

igletow@yahoo.com

Open to the community: Yes- Must Register online at Jerseycares.org

## **NEWARK – TRENTON - ATLANTIC CITY**

**Title:** 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Education Week

Sponsoring Agency: NJPIRG's Energy Service Corps

## **Description of Events/Activities:**

NJPIRG's Energy Service Corps is organizing the 11th Annual Education Week in honor of Dr. MLK Jr. We will travel the state for three days and teach over 1200 schoolchildren about energy and conservation.

Event Date: January 12th to 14th

Time: Approximately 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM each day

#### Location:

Wed 1/12 - Newark Schools Thu 1/13- Trenton Schools Fri 1/14- Atlantic City Schools

#### Contact:

Sarah Mitnick 732-249-4108

Sarahm@energyservicecorps.org

Open to the Community: Please contact in advance

## **ELIZABETH**

<u>Title:</u> Everybody Can Be Great Because Everybody Can Serve <u>Sponsoring Agency:</u> Haitian-American Chamber of Commerce

Event Date: January 17<sup>th</sup>
Time: 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM

# Description of Event

This event will promote volunteerism through reflections on Martin Luther King's Legacy, including sketches and refreshments.

#### Location:

Jefferson Park Ministries

477 Madison Ave

Elizabeth, NJ 07201

## **Contact:**

Linouse Lafontant (908) 469-9508 (AmeriCorps)

Katia Theodore (908) 469-1519 (Foster Grand Parents)

Open to the Community: Yes

## **CAMDEN**

Title: Revitalization in Camden

Sponsoring Agency: Jersey Cares/ Boys and Girls Club

#### **Description of Events/Activities:**

Every day, the Boys & Girls Club of Camden County strives to improve each child's life by implementing self-esteem, courage, and positive values through all of the educational programs. Club members receive tutoring, computer training, sports education, homework help, and mentoring. Between its dedicated staff and supportive peers, each Club member gains a sense of belonging. The Boys & Girls Club of Camden County is an exciting place where young people are inspired to learn and develop lifelong friendships. Volunteers are needed to paint canvases and to create mobile gardens by painting planter murals.

Event Date: January 17<sup>th</sup> Time: 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Location: 1725 Park Boulevard, Camden, NJ

Contact:

Matthew Raposo 978-423-1424

matthew raposo@yahoo.com

Open to the Community: Please contact in advance

#### **PISCATAWAY**

Title: Bingo with Seniors

**Sponsoring Agency:** Jersey Cares

Event Date: January 17th

**Event Time:** 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

**Description of Event:** 

Part of a range of fitness and fun services offered to senior residents.

Location:

Piscataway Senior Center 700 Buena Vista Avenue

Piscataway NJ

#### **NEWARK**

<u>Title:</u> Brightening Lives in Newark <u>Sponsoring Agency:</u> Jersey Cares

Event Date: January 17<sup>th</sup>
Event Time: 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

**Description of Event:** 

Creation of school murals and crafts such as Seats for Social Justice to give to students.

Location:

Louise A. Spencer Elementary School

66 Muhammad Ali Avenue

Newark, NJ

## **PATERSON**

Title: Youth Leadership Awards Breakfast & Beautification Project

**Sponsoring Agency:** New Jersey Community Development Corporation

# **Description of Events/Activities:**

In celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King's life, vision, and commitment to the causes of both civil rights and public service, the Paterson Youth Council (PYC) will be hosting its 4th Annual Dr. MLK Youth Recognition Awards. Following that, AmeriCorps Fellows will be participating in a beautification project that will consist of painting a mural at School #5.

Event Date: January 17<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 10:00 AM

Location:

Leadership Breakfast- Brownstone House- 351 West Broadway, Paterson, NJ

Beautification Project- School #5- 430 Totowa Avenue, Paterson, NJ

Contact:

Michael Gowdy (973) 413-1602

Open to the Community: RSVP required

## LAWRENCEVILLE

Title: Brush Strokes to Bring Hope

**Sponsoring Agency:** AmeriCorps NJ Watershed Ambassadors/HomeFront, Inc.

## **Description of Events/Activities:**

We will be painting the Art Space room for the Lawrence Community Center, which is a facility owned by HomeFront, Inc., a non-profit organization that provides support for homeless families in need. We will also be painting other areas of the facility, if time allows.

Event Date: January 17<sup>th</sup> Time: 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

**Location:** Lawrence Community Center

295 Eggerts Crossing Road

Lawrenceville, NJ

#### Contact:

Akili Lynn 609-777-1406

Open to the Community: Yes

# MORRISTOWN - PARSIPPANY - TRENTON - NEWARK

<u>Title:</u> NJ After 3 MLK Day Projects <u>Sponsoring Agency:</u> Jersey Cares <u>Description of Events/Activities:</u>

NJ After 3 members will be participating in four service events across the state, including:

\*Brightening Lives in Trenton- members will paint murals and build picnic tables throughout Patton J. Hill Elementary School.

\*Cupcake Baking & Game Time in Morristown- volunteers will spend time at the Morris County Youth Shelter, baking cupcakes and playing games with at-risk adolescents living temporarily at the shelter.

\*Spring Hills Assisted Living Communities- volunteers will spend quality time with the seniors living at the Spring Hills Assisted Living Community, playing bingo and socializing.

\*Caring Companions in Newark- volunteers will spend time with residents at Broadway House for Continuing Care, which provides care for people living with post-acute HIV/AIDS. In addition, some volunteers will also help assemble First Night kits for the facility.

Event Date: January 17th

Time: Varies Location:

Spring Hills Assisted Living Communities 17 Spring Place Morristown, NJ 07960

Morris County Youth Shelter 320 West Hanover Avenue Parsippany, NJ 07054 Patton J. Hill School 1010 East State Street Trenton, New Jersey

Broadway House for Continuing Care 298 Broadway Newark, NJ 07104-4003

Open to the Community: No

#### **STANHOPE**

Title: Lenape Valley High School MLK Events

Sponsoring Agency: Lenape Valley High School

<u>Description of Events/Activities:</u> There will be three activities organized by student members of three of the school's clubs. These include food donations made by students to a local church, toy donations made by students to a local nonprofit, and financial donations organized by students for cancer research.

**Event Date:** December

Location: Lenape Valley High School, 28 Sparta Road, Stanhope, New Jersey 07874

Contact:
Maria Kochan
Mkochan@lvhs.org

Open to the Community: No

## **MAYS LANDING**

<u>Title:</u> Atlantic County Institute of Technology MLK Celebrations <u>Sponsoring Agency:</u> Atlantic County Institute of Technology

## **Description of Events/Activities:**

School-wide activities to include: classroom projects/discussions about tolerance and racial awareness (both past and present); student art work combating racism and

discrimination; student research projects on crime, violence, and poverty and how it affects their lives and communities; poetry, literature, and reflective pieces dealing with tolerance and discrimination; student-created bulletin boards throughout the school depicting MLK and service-learning themes

Event Date: January 18th to 21st

Time: Varies Location:

Atlantic Co. Alternative H.S., Mays Landing, NJ

Contact:

Jamie Moscony

jmoscony@acitech.org

Open to the Community: No

## SADDLE BROOK

<u>Title:</u> Saddle Brook Schools MLK Celebration <u>Sponsoring Agency:</u> Saddle Brook Public Schools

## **Description of Events/Activities:**

The event takes the form of a district-wide food drive to benefit the Saddle Brook Food Pantry and help the wider Saddle Brook Community.

**Event Date:** January 10<sup>th</sup> to January 14<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM daily

Location:

All Saddle Brook public schools

**Contact:** 

Kimberly Gerken

kgerken@saddlebrookschools.org
Open to the Community: Yes

#### SHAMONG

Title: March for Martin

**Sponsoring Agency:** Lenape Regional High School District

## **Description of Events/Activities:**

Students, staff, and members of the Lenape Regional High School District community will gather at Lenape High School on January 13, 2010 for the March for Martin. The march, which symbolizes many of Dr. King's marches for civil rights, will be conducted throughout the school building while a recording of Dr. King's famous "I Have a Dream" speech play through the halls. Following the march, participants will gather in the school's auditorium to participate in a program highlighting Dr. King's impact and role model of service towards others.

Event Date: January 17th

**Time:** 2:30 PM

Location: Lenape Regional High School

Contact: Luis German 609-654-5111 Igerman@Irhsd.org

Open to the Community: No

#### WOODBURY

**Title:** Woodbury MLK Day Celebrations

**Sponsoring Agency:** Woodbury Public Schools

**Description of Events/Activities:** 

All students will gather at high school for breakfast, briefing and a short MLK program. From that point – students and volunteers will report to their previously assigned

"Service Station" where they will participate in a wide array of services. Listed below are just a few:

- \* Assisted living visit with games and a bit of beauty
- \* Preparing food at a church so soup can be delivered to the homeless
- \* Chores at high school and district elementary schools
- \* Mentoring day with high-schoolers and junior high kids
- \* Packing and distributing food at food bank

Event Date: January 17<sup>th</sup> Time: 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Location:

Woodbury Junior Senior High School 25 N. Broad Street Woodbury, NJ 08096

Contact:

Kathryn Stalter-Allen 856.853.0123

kstalter-allen@woodburysch.com
Open to the Community: No

#### CAMDEN/SHAMONG

Title: Lenape Regional MLK Celebration with Ronald McDonald House

<u>Sponsoring Agency:</u> Lenape Regional High School/Ronald McDonald House- Camden <u>Description of Events/Activities:</u>

Students in the Lenape Regional High School District will prepare and serve breakfast to the children and their families staying at the Ronald McDonald House in Camden, NJ. Students from the Foods and Nutrition II classes will be working in class during the week of January 10 to prepare the food for the event, while students in the district's Foundations of Leadership class will visit the Ronald McDonald House on January 16 to serve the meal.

Event Date: January 16th

Time: 9:00 AM Location:

Ronald McDonald House, Camden, NJ

Contact:

Charlotte Seng

Phone: 609-654-5111, ext. 3394

Fax: 609-953-6779

Open to the Community: No

#### **WEST ORANGE**

Title: West Orange MLK Celebration

**Sponsoring Agency:** West Orange High School

**Description of Events/Activities:** 

The student body at West High School will be working to help organize and implement a food drive through a local food bank in West Orange. The drive will continue throughout the week of the 17<sup>th</sup>.

Event Date: January 17th to 21st

<u>Time:</u> All day <u>Location:</u>

West Orange High School, 51 Conforti Ave, West Orange, NJ

#### Contact:

Jeanine Genauer 973-669-5400

Open to the Community: Yes

#### **EGG HARBOR CITY**

<u>Title:</u> Egg Harbor City MLK Celebration

**Sponsoring Agency:** Egg Harbor City Public Schools

**Event Date:** January 18<sup>th</sup> through 21<sup>st</sup> **Event Time:** 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM Daily

**Description of Event:** 

The Egg Harbor City Learn and Serve Program will host a week long product drive in support of Brian Konowitz, a 5<sup>th</sup> grade Social Studies teacher from the district who is currently deployed in Afghanistan. Products to be collected will include perishable snack and food items and school supplies (which troops deliver to Afghani students). All goods will be mailed to Mr. Konowitz and his platoon.

**Location:** 730 Havana Ave. Egg Harbor City, NJ, 08215

Contact: Marc Roesch

609. 965. 1034 ext 172 mroesch@ehcs.k12.nj.us

Open to the Community: Yes

#### SOMERSET

Title: Central Jersey College Prep MLK Celebration

**Sponsoring Agency:** Central Jersey College Prep Charter School

Event Date: January 18<sup>th</sup>
Event Time: 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

**Description of Event:** 

Students will participate in two separate community service events to commemorate MLK day. These include MEALS- in which students will assemble sack lunches for the hungry to be delivered to Elijah's Promise soup kitchen, and CARDS- in which students will make commemorative MLK Day cards to deliver to seniors at Spring Hills of Somerset, an assisted living facility.

Location: 17 School House Road, Somerset, NJ

Contact: Lynne Ozgur 732-302-9991

lozgur@njcollegeprep.org

Open to the Community: No

# JERSEY CITY/SUCCASUNNA

Title: Roxbury Schools MLK Celebration

**Sponsoring Agency:** Roxbury Township Public Schools

Event Date: January 13<sup>th</sup>
Event Time: 10:00 AM
Description of Event:

On Thursday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, students from Roxbury High School, along with Lincoln High School in Jersey City and pre-schoolers from a local day care will present an MLK assembly to students at St. Anne's School, Jersey City.

**Location:** St. Anne's School, Congress Street, Jersey City, NJ

Contact:

James Heinegg 973-584-6099

jheinegg@roxbury.org

Open to the Community: No

## **CLARKSBORO/SEWELL**

<u>Title:</u> Gloucester County Institute of Technology MLK Celebration

Sponsoring Agency: Gloucester County Institute of Technology Key Club

Event Date: January 17<sup>th</sup>
Event Time: 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Description of Event:

Key Club members , along with other GCIT students and staff, will interact with the residents at Shady Lane Nursing Home in Clarksboro, NJ on Monday, Jan. 17<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM. Participants will assist nursing staff with various activities for the residents.

Location: Shady Lane Nursing Home, Clarksboro, NJ

Contact:

Yvonne Morse

856-468-1445 ext. 2514

ymorse@gcit.org

Open to the Community: No

## **JACKSON**

<u>Title:</u> Jackson School District MLK Celebration <u>Sponsoring Agency:</u> Jackson School District

Event Date: January 10<sup>th</sup> through 14<sup>th</sup>/January 16<sup>th</sup>

Event Time: All Day Description of Event:

Jackson schools will have two events to commemorate MLK Day. Between January 10<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, students at Jackson Memorial High School will present court cases that shaped the history of civil rights in the US. On January 16<sup>th</sup>, the TV studio at Liberty High School will work to create a short informational video about the impact MLK Day has on those who need it most.

Location: Jackson Memorial High School/Liberty High School, Jackson NJ

Contact: Harry Ferone 848-333-4951

hvferone@jacksonsd.org

Open to the Community: No

# **EATONTOWN**

<u>Title:</u> Eatontown Memorial School MLK Celebration

**Sponsoring Agency:** Memorial School

Event Date: January 13<sup>th</sup>
Event Time: 2:25 PM
Description of Event:

Students from Memorial School have adopted a military troop, which is serving at the Kandahar Air Field in Afghanistan. Our students will write letters of appreciation and create Valentine cards. Students will create care packages containing chapstick, candy, reading materials, and student-made puzzles. Additionally, in school on Thursday morning all students will watch a 30 minute video about Dr. King's life and his "I had a dream" speech, in order to help them understand his legacy.

Location: Memorial School, Eatontown, NJ

Contact: Neil Schulman

Phone: 732-222-4300 Fax: 732-870-6800

Open to the Community: No

#### **CRANFORD**

<u>Title:</u> Cranford School District MLK Celebration <u>Sponsoring Agency:</u> Cranford School District

Event Date: January 14<sup>th</sup>
Event Time: 9:00 AM
Description of Event:

On Friday January 14<sup>th</sup> students of Cranford High School will be participating in a Martin Luther King Celebration. Students will hear parts of Dr. King's speech over the PA system in the morning and be given a Learn and Serve Purple Bracelet to incorporate anti bullying through their daily lives. Students in both history classes and speech classes will hold discussions on the famous speech and the impact it has had on our nation.

Location: Cranford High School, 201 West End Place Cranford NJ 07016

Contact:

Richard Goldstein

Goldstein@cranfordschools.org
Open to the Community: No

#### EAST HANOVER

<u>Title:</u> Hanover Park MLK Day Celebration

**Sponsoring Agency:** Hanover Park High School

**Event Date:** Week of February 16<sup>th</sup>

**Event Time:** Varies **Description of Event:** 

The students in our *Art of Writing* classes will meet with several residents of the Wynwood assisted living community of Florham Park, NJ. Our students will ask many of the residents to join us in our school library and then show the residents a descriptive writing piece that they are proud of. After this meet-and-greet, our students can type up the descriptions, revise them, take a picture of the memento and frame the two together to give to the senior citizen as a gift at a later date.

#### Location:

Hanover Park High School Library - 63 Mt. Pleasant Ave. E. Hanover NJ, 07936

Contact:

Christopher Kelly 973-887-0300 ckelly@hpreg.org

Open to the Community: No

#### SECAUCUS

<u>Title:</u> Secaucus Middle School MLK Celebration <u>Sponsoring Agency:</u> Secaucus Middle School

## **Description of Events/Activities:**

Students in Secaucus Middle School will participate in an assembly presented by members of various Service oriented clubs currently operating in our school. The focus of the program is to highlight the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, with special emphasis on the importance of community service. Student will receive pamphlets bookmarks and stickers from the resources on the MLK day website. The presentation will include media clips of his speeches, a brief timeline of his life, and each student group will present what projects they have completed, are currently participating in or have planned for the future. The program will end with an initiative to increase student involvement in community service activities by declaring the remainder of January as "Service Learning Awareness Month".

**Event Date:** January

Location:

Arthur F. Couch performing Arts Center, Secaucus NJ

Contact:

Cathy Ferguson 201-974-2022 cferguson@sboe.us

Open to the Community: No